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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2007.

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.